

JOINT URBAN WARRIOR 07 (JUW 07)

INFORMATION PAPER



"In one moment in time, our service members will be feeding and clothing displaced refugees - providing humanitarian assistance. In the next moment, they will be holding two warring tribes apart - conducting peacekeeping operations. Finally, they will be fighting a highly lethal mid-intensity battle. All on the same day, all within three city blocks. It will be what we call the three block war."

- General Charles C. Krulak

Introduction. *Joint Urban Warrior (JUW)* is cosponsored by the US Marine Corps (USMC) and US Joint Forces Command (USJFCOM) and is designed to address and improve joint and combined urban operations concept development and experimentation (CD&E). It is a recurring program consisting of an annual Pathway of planning events and shaping seminars, workshops, and related activities. The *JUW 04 and 05* programs consisted of a major War Game and associated Pathway events. *JUW 06* utilized a series of insights and observations seminars and working groups to produce the *JUW 06 Small Wars Battlebook*. The *Battlebook* is an interactive DVD product that includes White Papers, video interviews, and reference material that address critical issues associated with Small Wars and Urban Operations. Another major *JUW 06* deliverable was the 55-minute documentary video: *New Challenges for Military Operations in the 21st Century: Emerald Express Insights and Observations from Operation Iraqi Freedom*.

JUW involves Service, Joint, Multinational, and Interagency participation throughout the Pathway. *JUW 07* will build off the *04, 05, and 06* programs as well as Service, Joint, Multinational, and Interagency lessons learned to further address critical issues associated with urban operations and Small Wars.

Background. *JUW* builds on the Marine Corps' legacy of urban wargaming and CD&E, resident primarily in the Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory (MCWL), as well as in the lessons and insights from ongoing real-world operations, as well as the various joint urban operations initiatives of USJFCOM. This provides both a foundation for continued Service urban development, and a mechanism for JFCOM to fulfill its responsibilities as the DOD Executive Agent for Joint Urban Operations.

Focus and Scope. *JUW* is focused on: the integration of the full spectrum of advanced operational concepts and approaches, organizational innovations, technologies, and other transformational opportunities in complex urban operations necessary to enhance operational effectiveness in the context of the Three Block War; the critical

importance of political end-state planning in shaping the nature of the joint urban campaign; and the critical importance of the stability and support aspects of urban operations.

JUW 07 Program Objectives

- To Research, assess, and define the phenomenon of "strategic compression" as it pertains to the urban and irregular warfare environments, with particular emphasis on:
 - The overlapping or merging of the three levels of war - strategic, operational and tactical.
 - The impact on Joint, Combined and Interagency interaction and operations in the urban and irregular warfare environments.
- To further refine the Joint Urban Operations Concept with particular reference to:
 - Supporting the Joint Urban Operations Capabilities Based Assessment (CBA) Functional Needs Analysis (FNA) effort.

JUW 07 Deliverables

- Strategic Compression Documentary Video (Per *Challenges for Military Operations in the 21st Century*).
- *JUW 07 Battlebook* of insights and observations in interactive, multi-media format (text, video interviews, real-world vignettes and reference material) per *JUW 06 Small Wars*) for distribution to a wide Service, Joint, Multinational, and Interagency audience.

Key JUW 07 Pathway Events

21 Aug 06	Initial Planning Conference (complete)
23 Oct 06	4GW PME (complete)
9 - 10 Jan 07	Main Planning Conference (complete)
13 April 07	<i>Cultural Intelligence Seminar 07-1</i>
24 Apr 07	<i>Emerald Express 07-1 (Afghanistan)</i>
25 Apr 07	Final Planning Conference
19-24 May 07	<i>JUW 07 Program Main Event</i>

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